# TWO DEATHS FOLLOW POOLROOM EXPLOSION

Hot Springs Authorities Make Rigid Investigation to Place the Blame.

#### SCENE OF WRECK IS GUARDED.

Ben Murray, Driver of the Gasoline Wagon, Makes a Statement in Jail Explaining Cause of Disaster.

Hot Springs, Ark., Dec. 25-William Helwig and Joe Kenney died during the night from injuries sustained in the explosion which wrecked the Turr Exchange poolroom yesterday. Both were residents of

Hot Springs. Four more victims are wavering between life and death.

An inquest was began to-day over the body of Helwig, and there it developed that for the last seven years. the officers are going to make a thorough investigation into the disaster and place the

blame where it lays.
Officers were stationed about the wreck at once after the explosion, and they have kept all parties away since. To-day two men arrived from Little Rock and wanted the privilege of taking out some pipes from the wreck, but Mayor Beiding refused the request, stating that he would not allow anything to be done until representa-tives of the oil company, the light company and the Prosecuting Attorney could go over the scene together. The final verdict of the inquest was post-

The final verdict of the inquest was postponed until witnesses could arrive from
Little Rock. Ben Murray, driver for the
oil company, is still held in custody.

R. C. Chambers, who was so mangled in
the wreck, is little better, and physicians in
attendance do not offer encouragement for
the result of their work. Besides the fractured arms and left limb, there are several
bruises about the body and hips that have
made much trouble in handling the case.

Dan Kinney and Joe Pace, local hotel
managers, are both still in a critical condition and are not expected to survive.
Both lost two legs in the disaster.

Murray, the driver of a gasoline tank
wagon, who was arrested, charged with
criminal negligence, made a statement this
mornins. He says he made a connection
from his wagon to the gasoline tank in the
cellar under the poolroom.

Upon entering the cellar he found twenty
or thirty gallons of gasoline overflowed in
a large pool on the floor. Fearing an explosion, he rushed to an open window and
closed it. He says the door was then opened
by a negro porter and the gases coming
into centact with the lighted cigars in the
poolroom ignited and the explosion followed, Murray was blown against the side
of the cellar, but escaped with slight injury.

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jury.
All of the injured are receiving the best of treatment. The large staff of physicians of the city have volunteered their services and are looking after the wants of the unfortunate victims.

#### SCHOLARS ARE AWARDED PRIZES. Cantata Is Sung at Third Baptist Sunday School's Entertainment.

Among those who received special prizes

last night at the Christmas entertainment of the Second Baptist Sunday school were Miss Mattle Collins and Ralph Jacoby. neither of whom has missed a Sunday school service at the Second Church for ten years. Each received a gold watch. A prize was awarded Charles Diekenga, who has not missed a service for thirteen years. Mr. Diekenga received his watch three years ago, according to the custom of the school. One of the pleasing features of last night's entertainment was a cantata. "The Revolt of Santa Claus," which was sing by twenty scholars. The part of Santa Claus was taken by Robert G. Guerney. Among the countries represented by the children were Russia, France, China, Japan England, Ireland and Scotland, the American cowboy and the Southern negro were also in the cast. National costumes were worn. The cantata was prepared under the direction of Miss Ella Mitchell and Mrs. L. K. Luddington.

. Luddington. The 5G scholars of the school each re-The 963 scholars of the school each re-ceived a present from the monster Christ-mas tree. Thirty-six books were given to as many scholars who have been present at every service for a year. Soventeen members of the carol choir received prizes for excellence in the performance of their work. The arrangements for the entertainment

were made by Lather Ely Smith, Mrs. L. K. Luddington and Miss Ella Smith. The superintendent of the school is John B. Edwards:

#### CHANCKAH FESTIVAL CELEBRATED. Pupils of Temple Israel Sunday School Played "Judas Maccabeus."

The scholars of the Temple Israel Sun-lay School last night presented Longfel-ow's "Judas Maccabeus." The play was simplified, that children might understand t. The occusion was the Chanukah Festi-al of the school.

The play was divided into three acts, the

The play was divided into three acts, the scenes being the palace of the King, the lattlefield of Beth Horon, and the outer court of the temple. At the opening of the first act 'The Song of Devotion' was sung by Mbs Sophie Littman. The blessing of the lights in the third act was performed by Isaac Harris. At the close of the second act a chorus sang "Greet This Day With Loud Actaim." from Handel's oratoric of "Jodas Maccabeus."

Spectacular features of the play were the forming of the rainbow, the masque of the scascins and the kindling of the Chanukah lights.

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King Antichus, William Frank; Jason, Jerome Cook; Nicanor, Milton Russack; Judas Marcabeus, Edward Bochm; First Ambassador, Walter Glaser; Second Ambassador, Nathan Berger; First Fugitive, Alex, Friend; Second Fugitive, Henry Rice; Third Fugitive, Benjamin Schulein; First Captain, Coliver Rice; Second Captain, Leon Katzensteln, Court Ladies—Lenh Bluthenthal, Florence Kariberg; Freda Cohn, Edith Levy; Anna Fineshriber, Adele Obermeyer; Minna Froblichstein, Bertha Rosenbaum; Bessie Goldman, Gladys Schlesinger; Minna Goldsmith, Rose Waldman; Henrietta Jaismith, Rose Wasiman; Henrietta Ja-on, Goldle Werner; Be sie Keller, Satte

The Forming of the Rainbow-Louise Priedman, Rainbow; Red, Bertha Stern; Grange, Marian Harris; Yellow, Daisy Myere Green, Florence Samuels; Blue, Lucifle Strauss; Indigo, Adele Baer; Violet, Adele Frohlichstein,
Masque of the Seasons-Spring, Blanche Nathan; Summer, Gladys Werner; Autumn, Charles Joseph; Winter, Louis Keller,
Kindling of the Chanukah Lights-Enther Berger, Clarisse Cook, Sarah Emanuel, Fannie Frank, Gustava Harris, Helen Myers, Lucille Strauss, Stella Wasserman, Gladys Werner. Forming of the Rainbow-Louise

#### FIFTH ORGAN RECITAL TO-MORROW Arthur Ingham Will Play at the Sec-

ond Presbyterian Church.

The fifth of a series of organ recitals by Arthur Ingham at the Second Presbyterian Church will be given to-morrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Mr. Ingham will be assisted by Arnold Presold, solo violinist. The sixth recital will be given January 10.

The programme for to-morrow is concert overture, "Egmont" (op. 84). Beethoven; andantino in D flat, Lemare; "Marche Funebre (op. 35). Chopin, arranged for the organ by Mr. Ingham; gavotte in E flat (new), Arthur Ingam; priere et berecuse in A flat, Guilmant; scherzo in E minor (op. 69, No. 2). Bossi; march scherzando in E flat, Lefebure-Wely.

Mr. Pesold will play largo in G, Mandel; cherzo, Van Goens, and "Legende," Bohm. ond Presbyterian Church.

## Reported Change in Management.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 25.—It is semiofficially reported here that General Superintendent Frank W. E. Ward of the Great Northern will become general manager of the Burlington system on January 1 and be succeeded by George Theron Slade, son-in-law of James J. Hill, who is now superintendent of the eastern division of the Erle roal at Jersey City.

Fresident Hill is known to have been anxious to get his son-in-law with the Great Northern, but the latter hesitated to come West. He is now here for the holidays.

o come West. He is now here for the childays.

Ward has just returned from the West.

Ward has just returned from the Rur-Ward has just returned from the West with President Hill and Harris of the Burlington. He is known to stand high in the opinion of President Hill. The change will be a promotion for him, carrying increase in salary and wider field of action.

# **GAVE UP POSITION** AFTER LONG SERVICE

Edwin Dunlop, Superintendent of St. Louis Terminal Railway Association, Resigned.

#### FELT HE NEEDED A REST.

Several Names Mentioned for the Place, Which Will Become Vacant on the First of Next Month.

The resignation of Edwin Dunlop, super Intendent of the St. Louis Terminal Rail way Association, was handed in Saturday The resignation is to become effective the 1st of next month and was accepted with resret by the officers.

Mr. Dunlop has been connected with the association for the last twenty-three years in capacities varying from switchman to his present position, which he has occupied

In speaking of his resignation, Mr. Dunion said that he felt that he needed a rest. Several names are mentioned in connec tion with the place made vacant by Mr Dunlop.

Barney W. Frauenthal, superintendent of the Bureau of Information, said that he had not heard of Mr. Dunlop's resignation and refused to discues the matter of the superintendent's successor.

Among those mentioned as eligible for the place are: Barney Frauenthal, E. A. Chenery, superintendent of telegraph of the Terminal Association, and George Han-nauer, chief clerk to the general superin-

#### ANOTHER ROUTE TO TEXAS.

tion in the West.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 25.-The Times to-day says that the announcement comes from an apparently authoritative source that the branch of the Texas and Pacific Railroad, from Weatherford, Tex., to Mineral Wells, Tex., is to be extended to Trinidad, Colo., where connection will be made with the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad, thus giv-ing Denver another direct route into Texas and the South

Denver and Rio Grande Railroad, thus giving Denver another direct route into Texas and the South.

It also says that the Denver and Rio Grande will expend something like \$2,000,000 improving its roadbed between Denver and Pueblo, in contemplation of increased traffic, as a result of the new extension of the Texas and Pacific.

Further improvements are contemplated from Trinidad and Walsenburg, Colo. The road from Weatherford to Trinidad will be about 450 miles long, and will form a link which will give the Gould system its own road from New Orleans to Ogden, Utah. It will form an outlet from all the Northern Pacific Coast to the leading Gulf shipping ports and give the Gould system a new connection of its own in the West. It will also be the following out of Mr. Gould's policy of making himself independent of the Hawley-Harriman interests, in the event of an extension of their fight, as it will be a parallel road for Mr. Hawley's Colorado and Southern Texas road.

#### GENERAL MANAGER RESIGNS. Office in Kansas City Southern to Be

Abolished. Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 25.-J. A. Edson general manager of the Kansas City Southern Railroad, has resigned and will succeed J. M. Herbert as manager of the Denver and Rio Grande, the Rio Grande Southern and Rio Grande Western roads of the Gould Rocky Mountain system. The change becomes effective January 1. The office which Mr. Edson vacates will be abolished and B. F. Dickinson, now superintendent of maintenance and way, will take up the duties of general manager in connection with a promotion to the title of general superintendent.

Contract Let for Extension. Guthrie, Ok., Dec. 25.—The Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroad Company has let a contract for fifty miles of the extension from Coal Gate, I. T., to Oklahoma City, this contract covering the distance between Coal Gate and Ada, I. T. The line will strike both Violet and Shawnee, Okla.

Workmen Granted an Increase. Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 25.—Employes of the Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburg Rallroad have been granted a 7-per-cent increase in wages, effective December 1. The company employes about 12,000 men, almost all of

#### SOCIETY FILLED BOTH **BOXES AND PARQUET.**

The exceedingly large audience last night which attended the recital of the Choral-Symphony at the Odeon testified to the in-terest and appreciation taken in Haendel's oratorio, "The Messiah."

Though the work was produced only a week ago, the Odeon last night held even a larger gathering than that of the previous Thursday, while the rapt attention with which solos and choruses were heard bore ample witness that the audience was well

When the doors opened at 7:15 there were no seats to be had, and standing room was being sold to scores of persons who thronged the long lobby.

Mrs. William Portcous, her son and several ladies occupied a box.
Mrs. Alfred Ernest, in claret-colored silk, came with friends.
A party of girls from the Blind Girls' Home occupied their accustomed seats in

the balcony.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Bellman, Mr. and Mrs.
Herman Bollman, had parquet seats.

Miss Alice Leete came with a party of fiends. Father Powers sat in the parquet with rather Powers sat in the parquer with several friends.

Deltef von der Lippe brought two men friends with him, sitting in the parquet.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Busch joined par-quet friends.

Mr. and Mrs. James Arbuckle waited some

time for friends in the foyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Douglas were among the music lovers present.

Arthur Lieber and Bert McKinnie were in

Arthur Lleber and Bert McKinnie were in the parquet.
Mr. and Mrs. August Gehner were in the central parquet, near Doctor and Mrs. Julius Einhardt.
Mr. and Mrs. George Hessenbruch came with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Nahm, who are juust back from their wedding trip.
Miss Othelia Lang, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Eider, Mr. J. Crawford were early in the lobby.

Miss Clara Lang, Mrs. Fred Bonsack, came with friends.
D. H. Clark and Will Chauvenet were among the bachelors present.

Mrs. George C. Carrie had a box with Doctor and Mrs. William McCandless came Mr. and Mrs. Tom Vieroy, Albert Weg-men and Herbert Owen were in their usual seats in the parquet.

Mme. Yancke and her daughter, Miss Hor-

ense Yancke, had front seats. Mr. and Mrs. Nat Moffitt had seats in the Mr. and Mrs. Nat Moffitt had seats in the rear parquet.
Doctor and Miss William Short had Miss Margaret Kennedy with them.
Others in the vast audience were: Doctor Joseph Spiegelhalter, Mr. and Mrs. William Flewyllen Saunders; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sultan. Mr. George Pohl. L. B. Tehbetts, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Udell, Mr. and Mrs. Ellas Michael, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hammerstein, Mr. and Mrs. George Taussig, William Schuyler, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Houser, Miss Sarah Tower, E. M. Read, Mrs. Himman Clark and Miss Clara Clark, Doctor Saxyl, Doctor W. John Harris, August Schmidt, Sister Mirriam of Bishop Robertson Hall and Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Johnson.

### NEWS FROM PACIFIC CABLE.

Steamer Silverton Reports 7,109 Knots Already Laid.

n Francisco, Cal., Dec. 25.-The following cablegram was received to-day from the steamer Silvertown, now laying the cable between this city and Honolulu, which expects to reach Honolulu to-morrow; "Latitude 22.2 north longitude 155.2 west. Total cable laid 7.100 knots. Weather moderate. Wind northeast. Expect buoy Friday morning."

# HRISTMAS GIFT FROM CARNEGIE FOR JERSEYVILLE'S FREE LIBRARY GOOD STORIES CHRISTMAS GIFT FROM CARNEGIE



CARNEGIE LIBRARY AT JERSEYVILLE, is donation from \$10,000 to \$12,000 as a Christmas gift to the Il-linois tewn. Founder increases his

special meeting of the City Council for this sevening. Mayor Locke said yesterday that a resolution increasing the annual appropriation \$200 would undoubtedly be passed.

"We can give the Library Board \$1,200 annually," said Mayor Locke, in speaking of the new library, "and without any additional expense to the taxpayers. In fact, the City of Jerseyville has used the 2-mill library tax provided in the statute, but has

Jerseyville, Ill., received a Christmas present from Andrew Carnegle yesterday in the way of an increase in his donation for the new Carnegle Library. The increase was from \$10,000 to \$12,000. It came unsolicited from the Library Board and was in the nature of a surprise to the members.

Doctor H. R. Gledhill, secretary of the Carnegle Library Board, received a letter from Attorney Charles H. Strong of New York, who was instrumental in securing the original donation, announcing that Mr. Carnegle had decided to increase his gift \$2,000. The increase was made after the needs and growth of the city had been investigated, and upon the provision that the City of Jerseyville should increase its annual appropriation. A meeting of the Library Board was called yesterday morning immediately after the receipt of the letter and the appropriation was accepted. Mayor George D. Locke was informed of the offer and issued a call for a special meeting of the City Council for this evening. Mayor Locke said yesterday that a resolution increasing the annual appropriations out of the general fund. The first two years the City Council appropriations out of the general fund. The first two years the City Council appropriation has been \$1.900."

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## EAST SIDE NEWS.

Salvation Army and Other Organizations Serve Dinners.

The Salvation Army at Alton served a Christmas dinner yesterday to 300 of the poor of the city.

The dinner, which is an annual event of the Alton post, was served in the army's barracks in West Second street. A great quantity of food and clothing was also distributed in the City Hall brilding under the direction of Mrs. Sophia Demuth, the

the direction of Mrs. Sophia Demuth, the Alton polloe matron.

The supplies were contributed by the Sunday schools of the several churches, pupils of the public schools and the general public. Several Alton churches also made special contributions to the poor of the city and the members assisted greatly in the work of soreading Christmas cheer.

#### Alton Notes and Personals.

-Boone Alien of Upper Alton has returned from Crystal City, Mo. -Frank Laud of Virden, III., was a visitor in Upper Alton yesterday. -Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stalter of East St. Louis spent Christmas with Alton relatives, Louis spent Christmas with Alton relatives,

-A double wedding was celebrated at the
Jeffrey home in East Third street, in Alton, yestarday. The principals were Miss Edith Lef-Marguerite Camp of the Royal Neighbors and Robin Hood Camp of the Modern Woodmen of America at Alton have arranged for a foint installation of the newly elected officers. The affair will take place on January 14.—Professor and Mrs. S. G. Cook of East St. Louis are the guests of honor of Upper Alton relatives.

 William Herdman of Cornell University is spending the Christmas holidays with Jerseyville relatives. -William Whitworth of Jerseyville has gone to Mena, Ark.

-Doctor M. B. Fitterington of Jerseyville went to Springfield, Ill., yesterday.

-George Winant of Jerseyville is seriously ill at the Mullanphy Hospital in St. Louis.

-The family of Senator T. S. Chapman of Jerseyville held a reunion yesterday at the Chapman country home north of the city.

### TRI-CITIES.

COLLIER'S HOTEL IN ASHES.

Guests Have Narrow Escape From Fire Which Destroyed Hostelry. Collier's Hotel, a large frame structure at Granite City, was destroyed by fire early yesterday morning. There were more than 150 boarders in the house when the fire was discovered and a serious panic was narrow-

The origin of the flames is not known. About I o'clock the fire was discovered on an upper floor, and almost before the alarm could be turned in the building was a mass

could be turned in the bandles were all of the of flames.

At first it was feared that several of the boarders in the upper rooms had perished, but it was discovered that they had not yet gone to their rooms.

The Granite City Fire Company, assisted by citizens, worked for three hours before the fire was extinguished. The building was completely destroyed entailing a loss of \$5.00, half of which is covered by insurance. The building was owned by the American The building was owned by the American Steel and Foundry Company, and was leased by Harry Collier several years ago.

THRISTMAS CHEER FOR THE POOR. Philip Lauff was also interested in the man-

CHRISTMAS WEDDINGS. Six young people of the Tri-Cities were married yesterday at their homes in Granite City and Madison. The contracting parties were Miss Emma McInturff and Francis H. Jackson, both of Madison, Miss Stella Burns and James Barkley, both of Granite City, and Miss Amelia Dayles of St. Louis and John F. Griffith of Granite City.

Edwardsville Notes.

Wolf, both of Glen Carben.

St. Mary's Branch, No. 13, C. K. of I., has elected the following officers; The Reverend C. A. O'Reilly, spiritual director; James J. Burns, president Joseph T. Hentz, vice president; T. H. Stokes, recording secretary: Dale Flynn, financial secretary; E. P. Keshner, treasurer; Doctor E. C. Ferguson, medical examiner; Mrs. M. E. Caples and Thomas Modarity, trustees for three years. —A son was born on Christmas morning to Mr.
and Mrs. John N. Stokes of Highland. Mr.
Stokes is editor of the Journal in that city.
—Lemuel Fotts, associate editor of the Raymond
Independent, spent Christmas Day in Edwardsville.

Christmas Services on East Side. Christmas services were held in churches on the East Side yesterday, the services in the cathedral at Believille being especially elaborate. At St. George's Episcopal Church two services were held yesterday morning. An old-folks concert was given last night at Believille by the members of the Mount Zion Baptist Church, under the direction of the restor the Reverend I L.

direction of the pastor, the Reverend J. L. Woodson. Belleville News Notes.

Helleville News Notes.

-Philin Brown, a Belleville policeman, died at his home Wednesday. He was it years old and had been on the force for seven years. He leaves a widow and several children.

-Employes of the Morning Record and friends enjoyed a Christmas dinner at the office yesterday afternoon. M. L. Munie, the editor, was the toastmaster.

-William Bender, Jr., the Believille brewery man, yesterday malled to friends an elegant fourbiaded pearl handled pockethnife and a neat note, defring the truth of the old adage that a gift of a knife causes an estrangement.

-J. C. Wilderman of Believille has been drawn or a sinite causes an estrangement.

—J. C. Wilderman of Bolleville has been drawn
as a petit juror for the January term of the
United States Circuit Court at Springfield.

—Miss Ada Stone and William Duncan of
C'Fallon, were morried at the home of the bride
Wednesday evening.

### East St. Louis Items.

The O. L. Gregory Vinegar Company of Kentucky has purchased twenty lots in Denverside from John A. Perry for 17,000.

The Jefferson Cub will give a dance in the Royal Hotel on January 2.

The M. P. M. Club was entertained yesterday by Mise Arah Cannady. St. Louis yesterday.

-Four men were arrested by the East St. Louis police yesterday on charges of drunkenness.

-The Postai Telegraph and Cable Company has opened an office in the rotunds of the Arcade building. J. H. Callow, who has been the manager of the Postai office in East St. Louis for several years, is in charge of the office.

#### MOTHER AND HER CHILDREN ARE BURNED TO DEATH.

Asleep in Home When Fire Starts and Are Aroused Too Late-One Man Is Injured.

Malone, N. Y., Dec. 25.-Four persons were burned to death to-day in the house of Julius King of Piercefield, a prominent pulp and paper manufacturing town in the

Adirondacks.

The fire had gained such headway was discovered that Mrs. M. J. McGovern, King's eldest daughter, and her three children, who were sleeping on the lower floor, were not able to get out, and all were burned to death. burned to death.

One of the children, whose body was found close to a window, evidently had

made heroic efforts to escape.

King and his wife, with a few boarders on an upper floor, escaped by jumping out of the windows. One man was seriously burned. It is not known how the fire

#### SENATOR P. F. TRAINOR DEAD. For Years He Was Democratic

Leader in New York Assembly. REPUBLIC SPECIAL Albany, N. Y., Dec. 25.-Senator Patrick F.

Trainor, of New York, died at the Hotel Tenevelt, in this city, this morning. Senator Trainor had been ill with a nervous trouble since last spring, when he went to Hot Springs to recuperate.

Hot Springs to recuperate.

He was a patient at several sanitariums up State, but for the past few months had been ill at the Tenyck Hotel, where he was attended by his wife and a nurse.

He had been a member of the Legislature since 1894, serving as an Assembly ran until 1900, when he was elected Senator.

Mr. Trainor was Scotch born and 29 years old. He entered politics by taking the stump for Hugh Grant in 1893. Later he was an excise inspector and was elected to the Assembly in 1893. He studied law in the meantime and was admitted to the bar through the assembly restricted in the meantime and was admitted to the bar through the assembly he service law.

When he was promoted to the Senate he

was the recognized leader of the Tammany

Butte, Mont., Dec. 25 .- A special to the Miner from Havre says:

#### SANTA'S WHISKERS CATCH FIRE Now He Is in Bed With a Doctor

at Breese, Ill. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Breese, Ill., Dec. 25.—Leo Krebs, assistant cashler in the Breese Bank, played Santa Caus last night to amuse his brother's children, and now he is in bed suffering intense pain from numerous burns.

Ferd Krebs, cashler of the Breese Bank, arranged a little Christmas celebration at his home for the children. His brother Leo masqueraded as Santa by covering his face with a flowing white beard. While playing pranks for the amusement of his nieces and nephews, his whiskers caught fire from one of the candles on the tree. His face was enveloped in fiames in an instant.

While he was trying to extinguish the blaze one of the children had its hair singed off. Pandemonium reigned for a few minutes. The flames were finally extinguished. Doctor Morony was called, and ordered Santa Claus to go to bed and remain there.

#### SHOOTING AFFRAY IN SALOON. Two Soldiers Wounded Near Fort Assiniboin, Mont.

A shooting scrape took place at the Half-Way House between Havre and Fort As-simboin last night, in which two soldlers of the Twenty-fourth Infantry were shot. Frank Gantz was shot through the breast and probably will die. Private Robinson was shot but not seriously. and probably will die. Private Robinson was shot, but not seriously.

The trouble arose over Gantz being drunk and quarreisome. Gantz took three shots at John Dolan, proprietor of the place, then wheeled and shot at L. Groves, the bar-tender, who also shot Gantz through the breast. Gantz shot Private Robinson. The wounded soldiers were taken to the post hospital.

# By Writers of Eminence.

The Sunday Republic Magazine's FICTION NUMBER Will Appear on Sunday Next, December 28.

GOOD STORIES



Amelia Barr, Carmen Sylva. Frank H. Spearman, Charles Theodore Murray, Robert Barr. Josephine Dodge Daskam, Richard Harding Davis,

Are among the Contributors.



Our old friends, Alphonse and Gaston, will have an adventure at a Fancy Dress Ball. The Hooligans and the Katzenjammers

# were also there.

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## **FIVE COUPLES UNITED** BY SAME CEREMONY

Matrimonial Club Introduces Innovation in Wedding Services at Armstrong.

### FORM CIRCLE ABOUT MINISTER.

Members All Prominent in Society and Desired to Wed in New Way-Christmas Marriages Popular.

Armstrong, Mo., Dec. 25.-Five couples forming a circle around the minister, were united in marriage by the same ceremony at the home of the Reverend N. B. Naylor this evening.

Some time ago the ten young persons ormed a matrimonial club and decided that they should all be married at the same time At first it was the idea to have a jolly big wedding, but as time went along and little Dan Cupid suggested his eifish pranks, they decided to introduce an innovation in mari tal history.

At the last meeting of the club it was decided that Christmas Day should be the time for the ceremony which was to make hem all happy. Only a few intimate friend were let into the secret, for though all of the members of the club are members of local society, this was not to be in the

strict sense a society affair.

After Christmas dinner had been eaten at the various homes, and all the Christmas presents had been received and given, the members of the club assembled and at 7:30 o'clock to-night, in the company of a few friends, proceeded to the house of the Reverend Mr. Naylor, pastor of the Mount Pleasant Church.

They formed a givele with him in the Pleasant Church.

They formed a circle, with him in the center, and he read the service which bound them in wedlock.

The couples are as follows: Mr. Kelly Mocune and Miss Lucy Dougherty; Mr. William Warford and Miss Saille Winn; Mr. Ernest White and Miss Saille Winn; Mr. Cal Winn and Miss Mae Bell Roberts, and Mr. John Palmertree and Miss Saille Hearne.

After the ceremony they proceeded to their homes, some of them to seek parental forgiveness.

CUPID DOES RUSHING BUSINESS Twenty Couples Wed at Blooming ton, Breaking All Records.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Bloomington, Ill., Dec. 25.—Bloomington celebrated Christmas with twenty marriages, which breaks all local records. Following is a list of those out of town: J. Gatliff. Towanda, and Mattle E. Michael. Bloomington; Thomas Burger, McLean, and Roretta, Crutchley, McLean; Carl Hunter, McLean, and Lizzie Griffin, McLean; Harry McComb, Funk's Grove, and Mary L. Phillips, Funk's Grove, and Mary L. Phillips, Funk's Grove, ira D. Houder, Pontiac, and Dora B. Reed, Fandolph; Walter J. Rowland, Lexington, and Minnle L. Weldner, Cooksville; Willis J. Markland, Pontiac, and Birdie B. Barrett, Pontiac; Henry Simmons, Leroy, and Nancy E. Rodman, Old Town; Stephen A. Daniel, Colfax, and Annle V. Vetter, Colfax; Frederick Tipsord, Saybrook, and Lessie Britin, Saybrook; Joseph J. Scott, Saybrook, and Emma E. McNebney, Saybrook; Warren R. Maitby, Foosland, and Lillie Mers, Lytleville; Fred E. Davis, Rockford, and Emma Perkins Bloomington; Samuel A. Wishard, Bloomington, and Leota Skaggs, West Salem. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

ROGERS-ROBINSON. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Neosho, Mo. Dec. 5.—Miss Adn Robinson, prominent in society here, and Mr. Tom G Rogers, a traveling sulesman for the Muscoges Wholesale Grocery Company, were married here

DEWIN-GHARRETT. REPUBLIC SPECIAL Mattoon, Iil., Dec. 25 - Mr. George Irwin, a conductor on the Big Four at Brazil, Ind., and Miss Ote Gharrett of this city were married at the Congregational Church this morning. They will make their home in Brazil.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Mattoon, III., Dec. 25.-Mr. Adam Weemer of Toledo and Miss Mollie M. Cutright of Greenu; were married in this city to-day. STANFIELD-FAUBION. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

WEEMER-CUTRIGHT.

## Georgetown, Tex. Dec. 25.—In the Methodist Church in Leander Miss Lola Fauthen was mar-ried to Mr. W. W. Stanfield of Cotulia. Tex The bride is a daughter of Mr. James H. Fauthen, recently elected to the State Senate from this SERGEANT BEATEN BY NEGROES Patrolmen Come to Rescue and

Arrest His Assailants. Sergeant Everett G. Hancock of the Fourth District Police Station, Seventh and Carr streets, while trying to quell a riot among negro hoodlums early yesterday morning at Seventeenth street and Franklin avenue, was knocked down, and but for the timely arrival of Patrolmen Patrick Sullivan and Maurice Birmingham might have been seriously injured.

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When the two patrolmen came up the negroes had the Sergeant's gun and club and one of them was working at the trigger, try-ing to shoot Hancock. With drawn revolv-ers, Birmingham and Sullivan rushed to the aid of their superior, and after firing nev-eral shots at the negroes succeeded in dis-persing them.

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While aptrolling his beat Sergeant Hancock's attention was attracted by the
screams of a woman at Seventeenth street
near Franklin avenue, where he saw several negroes beating a negro woman. One
of the negroes knocked her down and the
others were kicking her.

The Sergeant rushed into the throng and
with his club commenced to strike at the
woman's assaliants. One of the negroes
edged his way behind the Sergeant and
struck him over the head with a bottle,
knocking him down.

Anni- Devan, a negress, living at No. 1705
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Linden street; hizzle Chalmers arrested by
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held pending an investigation.

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